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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Brady, et al

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For: Process of Adjusting WVTR
of Polyolefin Film

§ Group Art Unit: 1773

§ Examiner: Tarazano, D.L.

§ Attorney Docket No. 96B011/4

§ February 20, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 19, 2002

In response to the Office Action dated November 19, 2002, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on February 19, 2002, please enter this Response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicant believes that no fee is due in connection with this Response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 05-1715, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this Response timely and acceptable to the Office.

THE PENDING CLAIMS:

51. A process for producing a breathable film having a WVTR greater than 200 g/m²/day at 38°C and 90% relative humidity comprising a polyolefin and a filler, the process comprising:

- a) extruding a precursor film from a polyolefin blend comprising at least a first polymer composition and a second polymer composition and the filler, the filler having a concentration in a range of from about 16.5 wt% to about 71.5 wt% of the polyolefin blend; and